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FM AMEMBASSY KUWAIT

TO AMEMBASSY LONDON

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: CVIS, KU, UK

SUBJ: KUWAITI VISAS FOR DIP. COURIERS

REF: LONDON 13245

1. AFTER DISCUSSIONS WITH MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MFA), IT APPEARS SIX MONTHS VISAS FOR COURIERS MAY HAVE BEEN KUWAITI CONSUL'S UNSANCTIONED RETALIATION FOR WHAT HE FELT WAS UNJUST TREATMENT OF KUWAITI CITIZENS APPLYING FOR US VISAS IN LONDON. ALTHOUGH MFA SANCTIONED ACTION AFTER-THE-FACT, IT HAS INSTRUCTED HIM TO ISSUE COURIERS ONE YEAR VISAS IN FUTURE.

2. UNJUST TREATMENT REFERRED TO IS KUWAITI EMBASSY LONDON CLAIM THAT AMEMBASSY LONDON REQUESTS NOTE ASKING FOR VISA FROM KUWAIT EMBASSY, LONDON. OTHER CLAIM IS THAT AMEMBASSY LONDON DOES NOT ISSUE VISAS TO KUWAITIS UNTIL ONE OR TWO WEEKS AFTER APPLICATION, DESPITE OUR ANNOUNCED LIFTING OF BOULDER PROGRAM. WE REPLIED BY EXPLAINING CHECKING REQUIREMENTS FOR NON-RESIDENTS OF CONSULAR DISTRICT. ON THE OTHER HAND, WE WOULD APPRECIATE AMEMBASSY LONDON'S CONSIDERATION THAT WE KNOW OF NO CASES WHERE BONAFIDES OR FINANCES WERE A PROBLEM WITH A KUWAITI AND OF ONLY ONE CASE WHERE THERE WAS NEGATIVE SECURITY ASPECT ASSOCIATED WITH A KUWAITI PASSPORT. ANY FAVORABLE TREATMENT THAT CAN BE GIVEN IN VIEW OF THIS OUTSTANDING RECORD WOULD BE APPRECIATED AND WILL BE RECIPROCATED.

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3. REQUEST AMEMBASSY LONDON'S COMMENTS, ESPECIALLY ON DIP

NOTES AMEMBASSY ALLEGEDLY REQUESTS FOR VISAS.

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